

that my friend Jim Ingram, who served so well and courageously as commissioner of the Department of Public Safety of Mississippi, had passed away. He lost a long battle with cancer.

Jim was a retired FBI agent who was in charge of the civil rights unit that supervised the investigation and assisted in the prosecution of crimes by Klansmen and others who were charged with violence and murder in our State during the civil rights movement. He was a man of great courage, with a strong sense of purpose, whose warm and friendly personality make him easy to like and respect. The people of my State will long remember and appreciate his valuable contributions to peace and public safety.

I ask unanimous consent that a copy of his obituary, as it appeared in today's Clarion-Ledger, be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

James O. "Jim" Ingram, retired FBI agent and former Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, passed away at Hospice Ministries in Ridgeland, Mississippi on Sunday, August 2, 2009, after a long battle with cancer.

Visitation will be held at Christ United Methodist Church in Jackson, Mississippi on Wednesday, August 5, 2009, from 5 pm until 7 pm and from 9 am until 10:30 am on Thursday, August 6, 2009. Reverend Vicki Landrum will officiate over the service, which will be held at Christ United Methodist Church on Thursday at 10:30 am. The burial service will follow at Parkway Memorial Cemetery on Highland Colony Parkway in Ridgeland, Mississippi.

Wright and Ferguson Funeral Home is assisting with the arrangements. Born January 22, 1932, in Henryetta, Oklahoma, Jim Ingram was a long time resident of the Jackson Metro area. Jim Ingram joined the FBI in 1953, and was with the FBI for over thirty (30) years in several capacities, such as Deputy Assistant Director in Washington, with duties supervising all FBI criminal investigations. He also was Special Agent in Charge (SAC) of the New York and Chicago FBI offices. Mr. Ingram traveled worldwide for the FBI to places such as France, Canada, Mexico, and most of Central and South America. Some famous FBI cases which he commanded were: The Guyana Jim Jones case where over 1,000 people committed suicide at the request of their leader, Jim Jones, and the investigation into the assassination of Federal Judge John H. Woods in Texas, where a hired assassin killed the federal judge. Drug lords were arrested for this crime.

Jim Ingram was also in charge of the FBI's Mississippi Civil Rights Unit in the 1960's, supervising the investigation and assisting in the successful prosecution of Edgar Ray Killen and other Klansmen who killed the three civil rights workers in the "Mississippi Burning Case" in Neshoba County, Philadelphia, Mississippi. Mr. Ingram also supervised the investigation and assisted in the prosecution of James Ford Seale for violent deaths committed in Mississippi. In June 1996, Mr. Ingram represented Mississippi in a meeting at the White House hosted by the President and Vice President on church burnings.

After retiring from the FBI, he served ten (10) years as Senior V.P., Director of Security for Deposit Guaranty National Bank. He

served as Commissioner of Public Safety for eight years commanding the Mississippi Highway Patrol, Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics, and six other divisions. He served the State's second longest tenure in this capacity and said "these were some of the happiest times of my life." He was well known throughout the U.S. in law enforcement receiving several awards such as being honored with the Civil Rights Award in September 2006 in Boston, Massachusetts by the International Association of Chiefs of Police for the solution of the "Mississippi Burning Case" and was appointed as a Member by the Harvard University Associates in Police Science. Jim was active in the business community having served as President of the Jackson Rotary Club, the largest civic club in Mississippi.

Jim Ingram is survived by his loving wife, Marie, of 58 years; his three sons, Steven W. Ingram and his wife, Brenda, Madison, Mississippi, Stanley T. Ingram and wife, Terri, Edwards, Mississippi, and James M. Ingram and wife, Janice, Madison, Mississippi, and fifteen (15) grandchildren and great grandchildren, all of whom have given him the love of his life.

His three sons, Steve, Stan and Jim, stated their dad enjoyed helping others. They have been amazed over the years of the caliber of people across the U.S. that sought his advice and wisdom. Their dad would tell them "Kindness is something you cannot give away. It always keeps coming back."

Before his death, Jim Ingram stated that he could never repay the kindness shown to him, his wife Marie, and family from neighbors, Peter DeBeukelaer and wife, Mireille, Dr. Greg Fiser and wife, Robin, Billy Powell and his wife, Barbara, Rusty Fulton and his wife, Sandy, Bob Lunardini and his wife, Susan, and Federal Judge Neal O'Lack and his wife, Rebecca.

Mr. Ingram gives special thanks to Dr. Cindy Wright and her husband Sam Wright for their kindness and support. Special thanks to the men and women of the FBI across the country and to former SAC Joe Jackson, Col. Mike Berthay and Charlie Saums and the men and women of the Mississippi Highway Patrol who have made his life so enjoyable.

Memorials may be made to Christ United Methodist Church Youth Ministry Program, 6000 Old Canton Road, Jackson, Mississippi 39211, or Hospice Ministries of Ridgeland, 450 Towne Center Boulevard, Ridgeland, Mississippi 39157.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TILLAMOOK COUNTY CREAMERY ASSOCIATION

• Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to the 100th anniversary of an Oregon icon the Tillamook County Creamery Association, makers of Tillamook Cheese.

Since 1909, this world-famous, farmer-owned cooperative has been dedicated to producing the highest quality cheeses and other products from local dairies that have thrived in the lush coastal valleys around the community of Tillamook, OR. Tillamook Cheese is not just a commercial enterprise. It is the proud symbol of a way of life that has been passed on for generations.

The members of the Tillamook County Creamery Association have been

mainstays of the local and state dairy industries and committed stewards of the environment. They employ more than 600 people at two factories in Oregon and have annual sales of nearly \$400 million.

With all due respect to my colleagues from the great State of Wisconsin, Tillamook is cheese. Over the years, the Tillamook County Creamery Association has won hundreds of awards, including six at the 2009 Oregon Dairy Industries products contest and six at the 2008 National Milk Producers Association. It has also been recognized by the Portland Business Journal for the third year in a row as one of Oregon's "Most Admired Companies."

For decades, the Tillamook Cheese Factory has been a must-see stop for millions of tourists who travel highway 101. In recent years, the creamery association has expanded to other parts of the State, but its traditions are deeply rooted in the pastures and dairies that make Tillamook County and Tillamook Cheese what it is.●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 3435. An act making supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for the Consumer Assistance to Recycle and Save Program.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 1572. A bill to provide for a point of order against any legislation that eliminates or reduces the ability of Americans to keep their health plan or their choice of doctor or that decreases the number of Americans enrolled in private health insurance, while increasing the number of Americans enrolled in government-managed health care.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2587. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,